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LYMAN, N.H.



Year Ending December 31, 2014

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WELCOME TO LYMAN

Town Offices

All meetings and offices are located at the Town Hall Building.
65 Parker Hill Road, Lyman, NH 03585

Office of Selectmen

Administrative Assistant - Donna Clark

Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 8:30 am - 3:30 pm
Phone: 838-5900 Fax: 838-6818 Email: lymanta@myfairpoint.net

Selectmen meet biweekly on Monday evenings at 6:00 pm.
Unless advertised otherwise, meetings are open to the public.

Board of Selectmen

James Trudell, Chairman (2015) 838-6089
Bruce Beane (2016) 838-5277
Stephen Moscicki (2017) 444-0363

Town Clerk/Tax Collector

Carol Messner

Phone: 838-6113 Fax: 838-6818 E-mail: lymanc@myfairpoint.net
Office Hours: Monday and Wednesday 8:00 am - 3:30 pm
Thursday 8:00 am - 1:30 pm
(Monday evening by appointment only)

Planning Board

Meets the first Wednesday of the month at 6:00 pm.
For an appointment or information contact the Planning Board at 838-5900.

Zoning Board of Adjustment

Meets as needed. For information contact the Zoning Board at 838-5900.

Road Crew

Road Agent Tom Smith Town Garage: 838-5246 Pager: 549-4603
Located at 225 Dodge Pond Road, Lyman, NH 03585

Animal Control Officer

Michael Slavtcheff: 838-2415

Town Meeting

Held the second Tuesday in March. To vote, your name must be on the checklist. Contact Ann Baker, Checklist Supervisor, at 838-5907. Notices regarding when the Supervisors meet are posted at the Town Offices, on our website at LymanNH.org and in the Littleton Courier. You may register to vote the day of an election.

Legal Notices

Legal notices are published in the Littleton Courier and are posted at the Town Hall and on our website at LymanNH.org.

School Meeting

The Annual School Meeting is held in March. If your name is on the Town Checklist, you are eligible to vote at the Lisbon Regional School Meeting.

Permits

Zoning permits (needed for all construction), driveway permits and pistol permits may be obtained through the Selectmen's Office.

Fire Permits

Contact Fire Warden Brett Presby: 838-6689 or Deputy Richard Hubbard: 838-6110

Cutting Wood and Excavation

Intent to Cut and Intent to Excavate forms may be obtained at the Selectmen's Office.

Dog Licenses (due each April) and Vehicle Registrations

See Town Clerk

***EMERGENCIES: DIAL "911"**

Be prepared to give your assigned house number and road name.

Ambulance

Lisbon Life Squad (non-emergency): 838-6903

Fire

Lisbon Fire Department (non-emergency): 838-2211

Police

New Hampshire State Police: 846-3333

Grafton County Sheriff: 787-6911

Mail

Lisbon Post Office: 838-2881

School

Lisbon Regional: 838-6672

Representatives: Stephen Sherry: 838-6306 and Beth Hubbard: 838-5968

Trash Disposal

Obtain dump permit sticker and trash bags at the Town Office.

Lisbon Recycling/Transfer Station Hours: Saturday 8-3, Sunday 8-12, Wednesday 1-5

***Town Address Numbering System, "911 numbers" (Adopted 1996)**

All properties with primary buildings shall display the assigned number so as to be readily visible from the road. All numbers must be at least 3" in height and be in the Arabic form (0,1,2,3, etc.). For further information or for an assigned number, please contact the Selectmen's Office at 838-5900.

TOWN OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES

Board of Selectmen

Stephen Moscicki	(2017)
Bruce Beane	(2016)
James Trudell, Chairman	(2015)

Planning Board

(5 residents of Lyman RSA 673:2, II (b)) (3 yr. term RSA 673:5, II)

Thomas Messner	(2017)
Roberta Aldrich, Chairman	(2016)
Bruce Beane, Ex Officio	(2016)
Les Poore	(2015)
Brian Wohlleb	(2015)
Rosemary Colombi, Alternate	(2017)
Donna Clark, Alternate	(2015)
Allen Gombas, Alternate	(2015)

Board of Adjustment

(5 residents of Lyman RSA 673:3, I) (3 yr. term RSA 673:5, II)

Robert Chenevert, Chairman	(2017)
Janice Balog	(2015)
Michael O'Brien	(2015)
Brian Santy	(2015)
Patricia Slavtcheff	(2015)
Patricia O'Brien, Alternate	(2016)
Linda Stephens, Alternate	(2017)

Administrative Assistant

Donna Clark

Moderator

Philip Clark (2016)

Animal Control Officer

Michael Slavtcheff

Road Crew

Thomas Smith, Road Agent
Scott Stuart, Road Crewperson

Bookkeeper

Donna Clark

Tax Collector

Carol Messner (2016)
Cynthia Schieman, Deputy

Town Clerk

Carol Messner (2016)
Cynthia Schieman, Deputy

Treasurer

Celine Presby (2016)
Janice Choate, Deputy

Ballot Clerks

Allen Gombas Wendy Ho-Sing-Loy Juanita Hubbard Nancy Labbay Florence Corey

Cemetery Committee

Brett Presby
James Trudell
Perry Williams

School Board

Stephen Sherry (2017)
Beth Hubbard (2016)

Conservation Commission

James Seidel, Chairman (2017)
Les Poore (2016)
Lisa Linowes (2015)

Supervisors of the Checklist

(3 residents of Lyman RSA 41:46-a)
(6 yr. term RSA 41:46-a)
Ann Baker, Chairman (2020)
Larry Schieman (2018)
John Murray (2016)

Trustees of the Trust Funds (3 yr. term RSA 31:22)

Lisa Linowes (2016)
Christine Meserve (2015)
Sandra Moscicki (2015)

Drug & Alcohol Testing Supervisor/Safety Coordinator
Donna Clark**Welfare Officer**

Donna Clark

Forest Fire Warden

Brett Presby
Richard Hubbard, Deputy

Handicap Coordinator

Board of Selectmen

Health Officer

Stanley Borkowski

Emergency Management Director

Michael O'Brien

Regularly Scheduled Meetings

The Selectmen meet biweekly on Monday evenings at 6:00 pm at the Lyman Town Hall. Meetings are open to the public unless advertised otherwise.

The Planning Board meets the first Wednesday of the month at 6:00 pm at the Lyman Town Hall. Meetings are open to the public unless advertised otherwise.

The Zoning Board of Adjustment, Conservation Commission, Trustees of the Trust Funds, Cemetery Committee and Supervisors of the Checklist meet as needed.

All meetings or changes in date/time are posted at the Town Hall and on our website at LymanNH.org. Public notices are also published in the Littleton Courier, when required.

IN DEDICATION
THOMAS SMITH, ROAD AGENT
SCOTT STUART, ROAD CREWMAN



It is 3:00 in the morning, it is raining, it is January and I am awakened by the Town trucks going by loaded with sand to make our icy roads safe for our townspeople. I'm nice and warm in my bed, but not our hard working and dedicated road crew, Tom Smith and Scott Stuart. This probably sounds familiar to many of our residents and we all appreciate Tom & Scott's willingness to be on call nights, weekends and holidays to keep us safe as we travel on our roads. The sacrifices from them and their families have been countless over the years.

This is why the Board of Selectmen would like to dedicate Lyman's 2014 Annual Report to our outstanding road crew, Road Agent Tom Smith and Road Crewman Scott Stuart. Thank you both for all you have done to improve our Town, and most of all for keeping us safe on our journeys in and out of Lyman.

RESULTS OF THE 2014 WARRANT

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Lyman, in the County of Grafton, and the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in the Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Town on TUESDAY, the ELEVENTH day of MARCH 2014; polls to open at EIGHT O'CLOCK in the morning and will not close before SEVEN O'CLOCK in the evening in said Town Hall, to act AND VOTE ON Article 1 and Articles 2 - 7, the remaining Articles to be considered at EIGHT O'CLOCK in the evening. (Note extended polling hours and later Town Meeting starting time to accommodate State election for Executive Councilor).

Article 1. *To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year and to bring in your votes for Executive Councilor.*

Present were Moderator: Phil Clark, Selectmen Chairman: Bruce Beane, Selectman: Jim Trudell, Selectman: Steve Moscicki, Administrative Assistant (AA): Donna Clark, Town Clerk/Tax Collector (TC/TX): Carol Messner, and Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector: Cindy Schieman. At 8:00 pm Moderator Clark called the meeting to order, introduced himself, welcomed all, reviewed procedures of order and thanked all for coming. The results of the Executive Councilor election were announced as 56 votes for Republican Joseph Kenney and 55 votes for Democrat Michael Cryans. He then read the results of Article 1 thru Article 7.

The following were chosen as Town Officers for the ensuing year:

Selectman (three year term):	Stephen Moscicki, 103 votes
Planning Board (three year term):	Thomas Messner, 106 votes
Board of Adjustment (three year term):	Robert Chenevert, 105 votes
Board of Adjustment (two year term):	Robert Chenevert, 2 votes
Moderator (two year term):	Philip Clark, 55 votes
Supervisor of the Checklist (six year term):	Ann Baker, 104 votes
Trustee of the Trust Fund (three year term):	Beth Hubbard, 8 votes

Article 2. *Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows:*

Amendment No. 1 addresses several updates, technical corrections and clarifications, and reorganizes and renumerates certain sections.

The Article PASSED with 92 votes in favor, 18 against, 3 abstaining.

Article 3. *Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows:*

Amendment No. 2 adds a new section requiring damaged structures to be repaired or removed within two years.

The Article PASSED with 81 votes in favor, 31 against, 1 abstaining.

Article 4. *Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows:*

Amendment No. 3 adds "Presite Built Housing" as a permitted residential use and adds a definition for "Presite Built Housing" as follows: "Any structure designed primarily for residential occupancy which is wholly or in substantial part made, fabricated, formed

or assembled in off-site manufacturing facilities in conformance with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development minimum property standards and local building codes, for installation, or assembly and installation, on the building site. Owner must comply with all state and federal regulations regarding installation."

The Article **PASSED** with 89 votes in favor, 24 against.

Article 5. *Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows:*

Amendment No. 4 changes home occupations from a use permitted by special exception to a permitted use.

The Article **PASSED** with 82 votes in favor, 29 against, 2 abstaining.

Article 6. *Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows:*

Amendment No. 5 adds a new section providing that there shall be only one principal use and one principal building on each lot, and also allows "one attached or detached dwelling in addition to a nonresidential use" as a use permitted by special exception.

The Article **PASSED** with 67 votes in favor, 44 against, 2 abstaining.

Article 7. *Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows:*

Amendment No. 6 adds more details to the criteria for a special exception to explain what is meant by the phrase "will not adversely affect the neighborhood" as follows: "The use will not adversely affect the neighborhood, including but not limited to such considerations as: the nature of the proposed use relative to surrounding properties; size and extent of structures and outdoor activities; the proposed operation; proposed lighting, screening, signs and outside storage; proposed hours of operation; amount of parking and other impervious surface; potential odor, fumes, vibration and noise; projected delivery and customer traffic; and number of employees."

The Article **PASSED** with 83 votes in favor, 30 against.

Article 8. *To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Thirty-Seven Thousand One Hundred Ninety-Four Dollars (\$337,194) to defray Town charges for the ensuing year. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by the Selectmen)*

Executive	47,180
Election, Reg., Vital Statistics	36,968
Financial Administration	34,700
Legal Expenses	3,000
Personnel Administration	52,740
Planning	5,755
Zoning	1,300
General Government Buildings	29,205
Cemeteries	7,000
Insurance otherwise not allocated	8,000
Advertising & Regional Assoc.	1,400
Other General Government	700

<i>Ambulance</i>	7,862
<i>Fire</i>	18,450
<i>Emergency Management</i>	7,620
<i>Solid Waste Disposal</i>	45,920
<i>Health Officer</i>	1,180
<i>Animal Control</i>	1,265
<i>Health Agencies</i>	4,859
<i>Welfare Administration</i>	680
<i>Welfare Vendor Payments</i>	3,000
<i>Parks and Recreation</i>	110
<i>Library</i>	1,100
<i>Patriotic Purposes</i>	100
<i>Other Culture</i>	1,300
<i>Conservation</i>	200
<i>Principal on Long Term Notes</i>	8,275
<i>Interest on Long Term Notes</i>	3,825
<i>Interest on TAN</i>	3,500

Moderator Clark read the Article aloud. It was moved by Gerard Landry and seconded by Bryson Yawger. Trudell noted that the 2014 proposed budget is \$18,841 more than the 2013 budget, however the School Budget taxes are projected to be reduced by \$53,000 leaving us with a combined decrease. He said that each year one of the Selectmen plan to be on the School Budget Committee. They plan to put an addition on the back of the town hall this year to gain needed office space and a safety exit and to pay for it without borrowing. They will take a year off from adding to the highway equipment and the revaluation funds. They are putting together a bridge replacement fund. All town roads will have been ledge-packed in 4 years. He went line by line down through the figures. Selectmen plan to raise Selectmen's annual salaries from \$1800 each to \$2400 each and \$2500 for the Chairman. A 3% increase is also planned for the 4 employees. There will be four elections this year. Fairpoint is suing the Town, as well as many other towns in NH, hoping to not need to pay taxes for their telephone poles. That accounts for a new line item under legal expense. Health insurance premiums are higher but our total expense is lower due to less people covered. We lost our cemetery mower, Larry Jackson, who did a great job, to retirement. Toby Knighton and his sons will mow and their rate is \$1500 higher. The ambulance gave us a per person increase. The firefighting rate was increased \$3000 but Selectmen negotiated a stepped increase so we will see only half this year or \$1500. The "Local Emergency Operations Plan" (LEOP) will need updating this year but will be partially offset by a grant we will receive. Lisbon's recycling cost reduction of \$6,000 benefits Lyman. We received \$24,762 as our share of recycling revenue in 2013. Our only debt is the dam and the principal balance will be \$90,000 after this year's payment. Clark opened the floor to discussion and there was some discussion on ledgepack. Clark called for any further discussion. With none, he re-read the Article and called for a vote. All ayes. Article 8 was **PASSED** and closed.

Article 9. *To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Seventy Thousand Four Hundred Sixty Dollars (\$270,460) for maintenance, expenses, salaries, supplies, equipment and street lighting for the Highway Department for the ensuing year. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by Selectmen)*

Highway Administration \$107,160

<i>Highway Maintenance</i>	<i>\$162,750</i>
<i>Street Lighting</i>	<i>\$ 550</i>

Clark read the Article aloud which was moved by Nancy Labbay and seconded by Bryson Yawger. Trudell mentioned again the planned 3% salary increase for the Road Agent and Crew and praised their work. Richard Hubbard is the highway temporary help and he also does a great job. There may be some painting at the garage this year and they may replace some desks. The town bought a new truck to replace the one ton which had some body problems. Chief Bogie does our crushing and is all paid up. The Selectmen decided against a Town sandpit as not feasible. Patricia Barry asked if we could sell some of our legdepack to other towns. Trudell said we can't or we would lose our State permit. With no further discussion Clark re-read the Article and called for a vote. All ayes. Article 9 was **PASSED** and closed.

Article 10. *To see if the Town will vote to change the name and purpose of the existing Building Repair & Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund to the Building Capital Reserve Fund and to name the Board of Selectmen as Agents to Expend. (2/3 vote required) (Recommended by the Selectmen)*

Clark read the Article aloud. It was moved by Bryson Yawger and seconded by Gerard Landry. Trudell explained that the name of this fund needs to be changed in order for the funds to be available to use for the building addition. There is a \$19,000 balance in this fund. The cost of the addition should be \$40-50,000. There was no discussion. Clark re-read the Article and a vote was taken. All ayes. G. Landry asked if we should take a "raised arm" vote since the Article specifies a 2/3 vote so the vote was repeated with 100% ayes with arms raised and, again, none against. Article 10 was **PASSED** and closed.

Article 11. *To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000) to be placed in the Building Capital Reserve Fund. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by the Selectmen)*

Clark read the Article aloud. It was moved by Nancy Labbay and seconded by Todd Landry. The capital reserve fund has a balance of \$19,000 and adding \$30,000 will make a total of \$49,000 which will enable us to fund the building addition. With no further discussion, Clark re-read the Article and called for a vote. Article 11 was **PASSED** and closed.

Article 12. *To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of Highway Bridge Replacement & Repair and to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in this fund and to name the Board of Selectmen as Agents to Expend. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by the Selectmen)*

The Article was read aloud by Clark, moved by Bryson Yawger and seconded by Gerard Landry. The goal would be to collect \$25,000 per year for the next several years in order to be able to pay for repairing, replacing or obtaining the necessary documentation for our bridges. Patricia Barry asked how many bridges we have and was told nine but most are in very good shape. With no further discussion Clark re-read the Article and a vote was taken. All ayes. Article 12 was **PASSED** and closed.

Article 13. *To see if the Town will vote to establish a contingency fund for the current year for unanticipated expenses that may arise and further to raise and appropriate Five*

Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to go into the fund. This sum to come from fund balance and no amount to be raised from taxation. Any appropriation left in the fund at the end of the year will lapse to the general fund. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by the Selectmen)

Clark read the Article. It was moved by Nancy Labbay and seconded by Bryson Yawger. New State legislative rules allow us to create this contingency fund, which, if not needed, would be returned to the general fund. Joy Yawger asked if the amount will remain at \$5,000 each year. D. Clark, AA, said there is a ceiling and any expenditures would need to be reported. The amount would need to be raised and appropriated and voted upon each year. There was no further discussion so Clark re-read the Article and called for a vote. All ayes. Article 13 was **PASSED** and closed.

Article 14. Polling hours in the Town of Lyman are now 8:00 am to 7:00 pm. Shall we place a question on the state election ballot to change polling hours so that polls shall open at 11:00 am and close at 7:00 pm for all regular state elections beginning November 4, 2014? (Majority vote required)

Clark read the Article aloud which was moved by Gerard Landry and seconded by Nancy Labbay. Nancy spoke on the Article saying we have found that the open polling hours between 8am and 11am are generally without voters. At the January 2014 Primary the election workers spent a long day for 26 votes and the election officials accounted for 11 of them. Election workers are entitled to be paid hourly. Town elections are now and would remain 11am to 6pm. Federal elections are now and would remain 8am to 7pm. State elections are now 8am to 7pm. The change would only affect the State Elections when there is no Presidential vote involved. This Article would need to pass in order to put the question on the State General Election ballot. Todd Landry asked if there was a State Statute. Messner said towns could start at either 8am or 11am and end at 7pm. They could then voluntarily lengthen but not shorten the day. With no further discussion Clark re-read the Article and called for a vote. All ayes. Article 14 was **PASSED** and closed.

Article 15. To transact any other business that may legally come before the Meeting.

Trudell mentioned the School Meeting would be March 19th at 7pm. The cost to Lyman taxpayers for the school is equal to or greater than the cost of running our town. They encouraged voters to attend the school meeting. Moderator Clark, displayed the 2013 Annual Report dedication to Messner. Messner said she loved it and thought it was so nice and thanked the Selectmen. Clark thanked the entire group and said it's rare to find a group working together so well and that it certainly makes life easier. All agreed. Gerard Landry motioned we adjourn the meeting. Bryson Yawger seconded and Clark announced the 2014 annual town meeting closed at 9:30pm.

The Lyman Board of Selectmen
James Trudell, Chairman
Bruce Beane
Stephen Moscicki

Respectfully submitted,
A TRUE COPY, abridged, ATTEST
Carol Messner, Lyman Town Clerk

The meeting minutes in their entirety are filed at the Town Clerk's office.

2014 SUMMARY INVENTORY OF ASSESSED VALUATION

Number of Parcels:	743
Valuations	
Non-Utility Land Value:	\$44,203,000.00
Current Use Credits:	(24,965,301.00)
Non-Utility Improvements Value:	42,394,200.00
Utility Value:	1,233,700.00
Exempt Property Value:	<u>(1,363,300.00)</u>
Valuation Before Exemptions	61,502,299.00
Exemptions Applied:	<u>(160,000.00)</u>
Net Valuation:	61,342,299.00
Net Non-Utility Valuation:	60,108,599.00
Net Utility Valuation:	1,233,700.00
Taxes	
Property Tax:	1,171,061.00
Veterans Credits Applied:	<u>(12,100.00)</u>
Total Tax Bills:	\$1,158,961.00

2014 STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS TAXES ASSESSED AND TAX RATE

Town			
Gross Appropriations	\$667,664.00		
Less: Revenues	(339,177.00)		
Add: Overlay	20,759.00		
War Service Credits	<u>12,100.00</u>		
Net Town Appropriation	\$361,336.00		
Special Adjustment	<u>.00</u>		
Approved Town Tax Effort	361,336.00		
Town Rate			\$ 5.90
School Portion			
Regional School Apportionment	835,449.00		
Less: Equitable Education Grant	(125,113.00)		
Less: State Education Taxes	<u>(148,155.00)</u>		
Approved School(s) Tax Effort	562,181.00		
Local School Rate			9.16
State Education Taxes			
Equalized Valuation (no utilities) x	2.480		
59,740,011.00	148,155.00		
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)			
60,108,599.00			
Excess State Education Taxes to be Remitted to State	.00		
State School Rate			2.46
County Portion			
Due to County	99,385.00		
Approved County Tax Effort	99,385.00		
County Rate			1.62
Total Rate			19.14
Total Property Taxes Assessed	1,171,057.00		
Less: War Service Credits	<u>(12,100.00)</u>		
Total Property Tax Commitment	\$1,158,957.00		
Proof of Rate			
Net Assessed Valuation		Tax Rate	Assessment
State Education Tax (no utilities)	\$60,108,599.00	\$ 2.46	\$ 148,155.00
All Other Taxes	\$61,342,299.00	16.68	<u>1,022,902.00</u>
			\$1,171,057.00

2014 TAX EDUCATION RATE CALCULATION

Analysis of Values Assigned to Local and Cooperative School District(s)

	Elementary	1 st Coop Lisbon Regional	2 nd Coop	Total
Cost of Adequate Education	.00	\$273,268.00	.00	\$273,268.00
% of Town's Cost of Adequate Education	0.0000%	100.0000%	0.0000%	100%
Adequate Education Grant	.00	125,113.00	.00	125,113.00
District's Share - Retained State Tax*	.00	148,155.00	.00	148,155.00
		"Excess" State Taxes		.00
		Total State Taxes		148,155.00
Local Education Tax*	.00	562,181.00	.00	562,181.00

***Pay These Amounts to School = Total \$710,336.**

The cost of an adequate education is determined by the Department of Education based on weighted average daily membership in residence in each school district. Each school district's percentage of total is then calculated. Each percentage is then multiplied by the Town's share of the state education tax amount to allocate a portion of the state education taxes to each school district.

The difference between the adequate education for each school district and each school district's share of the state education taxes becomes the adequate education grant for each school district.

2014 SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Inventory of Highway Vehicles & Equipment:

1985	Morbark	Chipper
1997	Fiat/Hitachi	Wheel Loader
1999	Sterling	Truck
1999	Caterpillar	Grader
2001	Ingersoll-Rand	Vibratory Roller
2007	International.....	10-Wheel Truck
2010	Caterpillar	Backhoe
2014	Dodge Ram 5500	Dump Truck

Pressure Washer, Rock Rakes, Plows, Sanders

Cemetery/Ground Maintenance:

Equipment	1998	Husqvarna Riding Lawn Mower
		Husqvarna Push Mower
		Utility Trailer

Forest Fire Equipment:

(Including 1952 Strickland M100 Utility Trailer, 10235) 800.00

Land, Buildings and Contents:

Town Hall/Office Building & Land	\$235,700.00
Furniture & Equipment	50,000.00
Highway Department Buildings & Land	350,600.00
Vehicles, Equipment & Supplies	500,000.00
Grange Hall Community Assoc. Building & Land	170,800.00
Furniture & Equipment	5,000.00
Dodge Pond Road Quarry (Map 206/Lot 003)	29,800.00
Mitchell Park on Skinny Ridge Road (Map 215/Lot 001)	14,300.00
Dodge Pond Beach and Road Front (Map 216/Lot 038)	12,200.00

Property Acquired by Tax Deed:

Arlene Drive (Map 233/Lot 022) – 12/27/1999	13,700.00
Clough Hill Road (Map 240/Lot 001) – 07/25/2013	116,900.00
Dodge Pond Road (Map 216/Lot 035) – 10/03/2000	6,200.00
Dodge Pond Road (Map 216/Lot 027) – 07/25/2013	13,400.00
Hurd Hill Road (Map 210/Lot 033) – 08/02/2010	26,300.00
Pond Road (Map 219/Lot 035) – 07/25/2013	17,100.00

TOWN CLERK

To the Voters of the Town of Lyman:

I hereby submit the annual report of the financial doings of the office for the year 2014.

Auto Permits Issued for 2014.....	\$ 104,852.00
Titles	252.00
State Motor Vehicle Registration Fees	2,601.00
Dog License Fees for 2014	1,257.50
Dog License Penalties.....	285.00
Vital Statistics	315.00
UCC's	180.00
Insufficient Check Penalties	0.00
Filing, Pole, Checklist, Wetland, Other Fees	<u>126.00</u>
 Total Receipts	 \$109,868.50

Respectfully submitted,

Carol M. Messner
Town Clerk

TAX COLLECTOR
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2014

DEBITS

	Levy 2014	Levy 2013	Levy 2012
Uncollected Taxes - Beginning of Fiscal Year:			
Property Taxes - #3110	\$ 0.00	\$142,294.59	\$0.00
Land Use Change Taxes - #3120	0.00	0.00	0.00
Timber Yield Taxes - #3185	0.00	0.00	0.00
Prior Years' Credit Balance	(78.60)		
This Year's New Credits	(91.86)		
Taxes Committed This Fiscal Year:			
Property Taxes - #3110	1,158,961.00	0.00	0.00
Land Use Change Taxes - #3120	3,008.00	0.00	0.00
Timber Yield Taxes - #3185	14,149.76	3,130.19	0.00
Excavation Tax @\$.02/yd - #3187	0.00	0.00	0.00
Overpayment Refunds:			
Credits Refunded	0.00	0.00	0.00
Interest - Late Tax - #3190	<u>159.02</u>	<u>7,881.99</u>	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL DEBITS	\$1,176,107.32	\$153,306.77	\$0.00

CREDITS

Remitted To Treasurer During Fiscal Year:			
Property Taxes	\$1,025,835.37	\$98,096.39	\$0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	3,008.00	0.00	0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	14,149.76	3,130.19	0.00
Interest & Penalties	159.02	7,881.99	0.00
Excavation Tax @\$.02/yd	0.00	00.00	0.00
Converted To Liens (Principal only)	0.00	43,520.23	0.00
Prior Year Overpayments Assigned	(72.65)		
Abatements Made:			
Property Taxes	00.00	677.97	0.00
Uncollected Taxes --End of Year #1080:			
Property Taxes	133,125.63	0.00	0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	0.00	0.00	0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	0.00	0.00	0.00
Property Tax Credit Balance	<u>(97.81)</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL CREDITS	\$1,176,107.32	\$153,306.77	\$0.00

SUMMARY OF TAX SALE/LIEN ACCOUNTS

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2014

DEBITS			
	Levy 2013	Levy 2012	Levy 2011
Unredeemed Liens Beginning Of Fiscal Year	\$ 0.00	\$32,538.71	\$ 17,334.97
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	47,432.15	0.00	0.00
Interest & Costs Collected	<u>978.86</u>	<u>2,510.02</u>	<u>2,389.32</u>
TOTAL LIEN DEBITS	\$48,411.01	\$35,048.73	\$19,724.29
CREDITS			
Remitted To Treasurer			
Redemptions	\$13,710.44	\$12,223.40	\$7,789.72
Interest & Costs Collected - #3190	978.86	2,510.02	2,389.32
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens	0.00	17.33	0.00
Liens Deeded to Municipality	0.00	0.00	0.00
Unredeemed Liens End of Year - #1110	<u>33,721.71</u>	<u>20,297.98</u>	<u>9,545.25</u>
TOTAL LIEN CREDITS	\$48,411.01	\$35,048.73	\$19,724.29

TREASURER
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2014

The Town borrowed one sum of \$600,000.00 from the Woodsville Guaranty Savings Bank at the interest rate of 1.5% per annum. The tax anticipation note, in the form of a line of credit, was issued on April 21, 2014 and was due on December 26, 2014. This note (line of credit) was paid in full on December 3, 2014 saving \$3,630.38 in interest.

The Town's General Fund checking account with Woodsville Guaranty Savings Bank earned \$48.25 in interest and shows a balance of \$137,385.59 as of December 31, 2014.

The Insured Cash Sweep (ICS) account with Woodsville Guaranty Savings Bank earned \$95.88 in interest and shows a balance of \$215,120.76 as of December 31, 2014.

The Lyman Housing Improvement Program certificate of deposit earned \$87.93 in interest, bringing the current balance to \$17,681.20.

Respectfully submitted,
Celine Presby
Treasurer

TREASURER'S BALANCE SHEET

Woodsville Guaranty Savings Bank – Checking Account		
Beginning Balance as of January 1, 2014		\$ 192,322.67
Month	Receipts (+)	Orders (-)
January.....	\$ 110,217.24	\$ 149,303.31
February.....	56,906.40	103,814.54
March.....	108,649.77	197,769.58
April.....	54,467.90	20,971.50
May.....	135,717.55	109,619.45
June.....	138,652.83	181,391.99
July.....	154,498.40	81,316.64
August.....	18,493.90	109,955.43
September.....	177,410.16	150,595.03
October.....	90,257.36	67,282.17
November.....	669,417.35	595,409.52
December.....	<u>313,286.31</u>	<u>315,483.09</u>
January – December Totals	\$2,027,975.17	\$2,082,912.25
Beginning Balance		\$ 192,322.67
+ Total Receipts		<u>+2,027,975.17</u>
Subtotal		2,220,297.84
- Total Orders Paid		<u>-2,082,912.05</u>
Balance as of December 31, 2014		\$ 137,385.59
Woodsville Guaranty Savings Bank – Checking Account		
Woodsville Guaranty Savings Bank – Insured Cash Sweep		\$ 215,120.76

Always bear in mind that the “Receipts” and “Orders” columns include:

- 1) Money transferred periodically between the Town’s General Fund Checking Account and the Insured Cash Sweep.
- 2) Proceeds from Tax Anticipation Notes (lines of credit) and their repayments.
- 3) Income from the Tax Lien Process (July): Paid by the Town to the Town’s Tax Collector for the purpose of converting outstanding property taxes to tax liens.

Respectfully submitted,
Celine Presby
Treasurer

2014 SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS (Pre-Audit)

From Tax Collector:

Property Tax Current Year 2014	\$1,019,357.15
Property Tax Interest Current Year 2014	107.81
Property Tax Previous Years	131,837.28
Property Tax Interest Previous Years	9,814.27
Yield Tax 2014	14,149.76
Yield Tax Interest 2014	51.21
Yield Tax 2013	3,130.19
Current Land Use Penalty	3,008.00
Prepayments/Overpayments	6,514.10
Property Tax Lien: Property Taxes	43,520.23
Property Tax Lien: Interest	3,414.42
Property Tax Lien: Costs and Fees	<u>497.50</u>
Subtotal	1,235,401.92

From Town Clerk:

Motor Vehicles	104,852.00
Motor Vehicle Titles	252.00
State Motor Vehicle Registration Fees	2,601.00
UCCs	180.00
Dog Licenses	1,257.50
Dog License Penalties & Fines	285.00
Vital Statistics: Research, Certificates and Licenses	315.00
Town Clerk Other Revenue	<u>126.00</u>
Subtotal	109,868.50

From State of New Hampshire:

Highway Block Grant	86,323.77
Rooms & Meals Tax Distribution	<u>26,082.06</u>
Subtotal	112,405.83

From Other Sources:

Selectmen's Office	367.90
Planning Board	814.00
Zoning Board of Adjustment	500.00
Building Permits	205.00
Pistol Permits	145.00
Trash Bags and Dump Stickers	600.00
Lyman's Share of Recycling Center Revenue	25,440.67
Forest Fire Reimbursement	87.25
Miscellaneous	3,112.72
Cemetery Lots and Items	.82
Overpayments & Refunds	43.95
Gifts and Donations	100.00

Health Insurance Reimbursement (Elected Officials)	17,263.70
Sale of Tax Deeded Property	11,866.40
Sale of Town Equipment (1993 Ford Truck)	1,800.00
Insurance Reimbursement (Guardrail damaged in accident)	960.00
Insufficient Check Bank Charge	-10.00
Tax Anticipation Notes/Line of Credit	525,000.00
WGSB NOW Account Interest	48.25
Transfers To/From WGSB Insured Cash Sweep	-80,000.00
Transfers To/From Capital Reserve Funds	<u>61,953.26</u>
Subtotal	570,298.92
From Tax Collector	1,235,401.92
From Town Clerk	109,868.50
From State of New Hampshire	112,405.83
From Other Sources	<u>570,298.92</u>
Total Receipts	\$2,027,975.17

Respectfully submitted,

Celine Presby
Treasurer

2013 AUDIT REPORT



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of the Board of Selectmen
Town of Lyman
Lyman, New Hampshire

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Lyman as of and for the year ended December 31, 2013, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our adverse and unmodified audit opinions.

Basis for Adverse Opinion on Governmental Activities

As discussed in Note 1-B to the financial statements, management has not recorded the capital assets and related accumulated depreciation in the governmental activities, and accordingly, has not recorded depreciation expense on those assets. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that capital assets, including infrastructure, be capitalized and depreciated, which would increase the assets, net position, and expenses of the governmental activities. The amount by which this departure would affect the assets, net position, and expenses of the governmental activities is not reasonably determinable.

Adverse Opinion

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter described in the “*Basis for Adverse Opinion on Governmental Activities*” paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly the financial position of the government-wide financial statements of the Town of Lyman, as of December 31, 2013, or to the changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended.

Unmodified Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Lyman as of December 31, 2012, and the respective changes in financial position and the respective budgetary comparison for the general fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Management’s Discussion and Analysis - Management has omitted a Management’s Discussion and Analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by the missing information.

Supplementary Information - Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Lyman’s basic financial statements. The combining and individual fund financial schedules are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining and individual fund financial schedules are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining and individual fund financial schedules are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

The year has flown by and another Town Meeting is upon us. Last year was a successful one for our Town. We accomplished almost all the things we set out to do and the things we didn't finish will be completed in 2015.

We put an addition on the Town Hall for needed space and to address safety issues for Donna, Carol and Cindy. It blends nicely into the existing structure and we are very pleased with every aspect of the construction. It is about 80% done with 20% left to finish after Town Meeting. At some point, we will have to decide, as a Town, about what to do with the Grange Hall and the cost associated with that endeavor.

The roads continue to improve through the hard work of our road crew, Tom Smith and Scott Stuart. We replaced culverts, ditched, graded, rolled, mowed roadsides, put up winter sand, blasted and crushed at the quarry, and laid out ledge pack again this year. The road crew also did a fantastic job maintaining our valuable Town equipment.

We continue to put away monies into our capital reserve funds for the Equipment and Bridge replacement programs, which are the envy of many other towns and very forward thinking on our part as a Town. We, as a Town, have done a good job planning and financing for a bright future.

We now have the Lyman Community Group that has done an excellent job bringing our townspeople closer together in a social way. It's always nice to sit down and break bread with people you have not met or people you already know. Social events like the potluck dinner, Dodge Pond Day and the Lyman Summer Social have been a great success and very enjoyable for all those that have attended and are growing in popularity.

Once again, the Selectmen would like to thank Administrative Assistant Donna Clark, Town Clerk/Tax Collector Carol Messner, Road Agent Tom Smith and Road Crewman Scott Stuart for all they have done for our Town over the past year. Without them, our Town would not run as smoothly and efficiently. We would also like to thank all the other people who contribute to our well run Town - Treasurer Celine Presby, Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector Cindy Schieman, Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment members, School Board members, Conservation Commission and Cemetery Committee members, Fire Wardens, Animal Control Officer, Moderator, Supervisors of the Checklist and Ballot Clerks, Trustees of the Trust Funds, Emergency Management Director and Health Officer. Thank you all for your countless hours of dedication to your position to benefit our Town of Lyman.

As your Selectmen, we will continue to give each and every one of you our best effort to efficiently run your Town and maintain a fair and affordable tax rate.

Respectfully submitted,
Lyman Board of Selectmen

Jim Trudell
Bruce Beane
Steve Moscicki

2014 GENERAL FUND - UNAUDITED
Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures
(Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)

	Appropriations 2014	Expenditures Net of Refunds
Current:		
General Government:		
Executive	\$ 47,180.00	\$ 44,778.00
Election and Registration	36,968.00	33,984.00
Financial Administration	34,700.00	31,690.00
Revaluation of Property	23,000.00	23,000.00
Legal	3,000.00	1,969.00
Personnel Administration	52,740.00	48,174.00
Planning and Zoning	7,055.00	4,229.00
General Government Buildings	29,205.00	34,010.00
Cemeteries	7,000.00	5,517.00
Insurance, not otherwise allocated	8,000.00	7,558.00
Advertising and Regional Associations	1,400.00	1,550.00
Other	<u>5,700.00</u>	<u>430.00</u>
Total General Government	255,948.00	236,889.00
Public Safety:		
Ambulance	7,862.00	7,862.00
Fire Department	18,450.00	18,062.00
Emergency Management	<u>7,620.00</u>	<u>2,039.00</u>
Total Public Safety	33,923.00	27,963.00
Highways and Streets:		
Administration	107,160.00	105,815.00
Highways & Streets	163,710.00	151,454.00
Street Lighting	<u>550.00</u>	<u>508.00</u>
Total Highways and Streets	271,420.00	257,777.00
Sanitation:		
Solid Waste Disposal	<u>45,920.00</u>	<u>45,917.00</u>
Total Sanitation	45,920.00	45,917.00
Health:		
Administration	1,180.00	599.00
Animal Control	1,265.00	925.00
Health Agencies	<u>4,859.00</u>	<u>4,859.00</u>
Total Health	7,304.00	6,383.00

Welfare:		
Administration	680.00	556.00
Vendor Payments	<u>3,000.00</u>	<u>1,681.00</u>
Total Welfare	3,680.00	2,237.00
Culture and Recreation:		
Parks and Recreation	110.00	.00
Library	1,100.00	1,100.00
Patriotic Purposes	100.00	73.00
Other	<u>1,300.00</u>	<u>1,191.00</u>
Total Culture and Recreation	2,610.00	2,364.00
Conservation:		
Administration	200.00	<u>175.00</u>
Total Conservation	200.00	175.00
Debt Service:		
Principal of Long-Term Debt	8,275.00	8,271.00
Interest on Long-Term Debt	3,825.00	3,820.00
Interest on Tax Anticipation Notes	<u>3,500.00</u>	<u>2,509.00</u>
Total Debt Service	15,600.00	14,600.00
Capital Outlay:		
Machinery, vehicles and equipment	<u>94,953.00</u>	<u>93,953.00</u>
Total Capital Outlay	94,953.00	93,953.00
Other Financing Uses:		
Transfers out:		
Capital Reserve Funds	<u>55,000.00</u>	<u>55,000.00</u>
Total Other Financing Uses	55,000.00	55,000.00
Total Appropriations and Expenditures	<u>\$785,567.00</u>	<u>\$743,258.00</u>

2014 GENERAL FUND - UNAUDITED
Statement of Estimated and Actual Revenues
(Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)

	Estimated	Actual
Taxes:		
Property	\$329,437.00	\$344,988.00
Land Use Change	1,500.00	3,008.00
Timber/Yield	17,250.00	17,280.00
Interest and Penalties on Taxes	<u>9,500.00</u>	<u>10,007.00</u>
Total Taxes	357,687.00	375,283.00
Licenses, Permits and Fees:		
Business Licenses, Permits and Fees	135.00	180.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	105,000.00	107,705.00
Building Permits	250.00	210.00
Other	<u>1,850.00</u>	<u>1,998.00</u>
Total Licenses, Permits and Fees	107,235.00	110,093.00
Intergovernmental:		
State:		
Meals and Rooms Distribution	26,082.00	26,082.00
Highway Block Grant	<u>86,160.00</u>	<u>86,324.00</u>
Total Intergovernmental	112,242.00	112,406.00
Charges For Services:		
Income from Departments	<u>27,240.00</u>	<u>25,944.00</u>
Total Charges For Services	27,240.00	25,944.00
Miscellaneous:		
Sale of Municipal Property	12,840.00	13,666.00
Interest on Investments	60.00	144.00
Insurance Dividends & Reimbursements	300.00	326.00
Contributions & Donations	50.00	100.00
Other	<u>960.00</u>	<u>3,825.00</u>
Total Miscellaneous	14,210.00	18,061.00
Other Financing Sources:		
Transfers In	<u>116,953.00</u>	<u>116,953.00</u>
Total Other Financing Sources	116,953.00	116,953.00
Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources	735,567.00	<u>758,740.00</u>
Unassigned Fund Balance Used To Reduce Tax Rate	<u>50,000.00</u>	
Total Revenues, Other Financing Sources and Use of Fund Balance	<u>\$785,567.00</u>	

2014 COMBINED BALANCE SHEET - UNAUDITED
Governmental Funds

	General Fund	Other Governmental Funds *	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$352,977.00	\$ 2,352.00	<u>\$355,329.00</u>
Investments		17,672.00	17,672.00
Intergovernmental Receivable	23,535.00		23,535.00
Taxes Receivable	175,691.00		175,691.00
Restricted Assets - Investments	169,090.00		169,090.00
Total Assets	<u>\$721,293.00</u>	<u>\$ 20,024.00</u>	<u>\$741,317.00</u>
LIABILITIES			
Accounts Payable	\$ 626.00	\$	\$ 626.00
Accrued Salaries and Benefits	1,961.00		1,961.00
Due to Other Governments	<u>373,736.00</u>		373,736.00
Total Liabilities	<u>\$376,323.00</u>		<u>\$376,323.00</u>
FUND BALANCES			
Nonspendable			
Permanent Fund (principal balance)	\$	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 1,100.00
Restricted			
Permanent Fund (interest balance)		1,252.00	1,252.00
Committed			
Expendable Trust Funds	169,090.00		169,090.00
Housing Improvement		17,672.00	17,672.00
Unassigned	<u>170,580.00</u>		<u>170,580.00</u>
Total Fund Balances	<u>344,970.00</u>	<u>20,024.00</u>	<u>364,994.00</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	<u>\$721,293.00</u>	<u>\$ 20,024.00</u>	<u>\$741,317.00</u>

* Other Governmental Funds includes Housing Improvement Program and Permanent Funds.

The notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

AMORTIZATION OF ALL GENERAL OBLIGATION

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2014	Principal	Interest	Total
2015	8,271.00	3,503.00	11,774.00
2016	8,271.00	3,193.00	11,464.00
2017	8,271.00	2,866.00	11,137.00
2018	8,271.00	2,547.00	10,819.00
2019	8,271.00	2,229.00	10,500.00
2020-2024	41,358.00	6,376.00	47,732.00
2025	<u>8,272.00</u>	<u>318.00</u>	<u>8,590.00</u>
Totals	\$90,985.00	\$21,032.00	\$112,016.00

LONG-TERM DEBT

Changes in the Town's long-term obligations during the year ended December 31, 2014 consisted of the following:

	Balance Beginning	Additions	Reductions	Balance Ending
General Obligation Notes	<u>\$ 99,256.00</u>	<u>\$.00</u>	<u>\$ 8,271.00</u>	<u>\$ 90,985.00</u>

AMORTIZATION OF LONG-TERM DEBT

Long-term debt payable at December 31, 2014 is comprised of the following:

	Original Amount	Issue Date	Maturity Date	Interest Rate %	Outstanding at 12/31/14
General Obligation Notes Payable					
Dodge Pond Dam	165,425.00	2005	2025	3.85	<u>90,985.00</u>
Total					\$ 90,985.00

INTERGOVERNMENTAL PAYABLE

Amounts due to other governments at December 31, 2014 consist of the balance of the 2014-2015 district assessment due to the Lisbon Regional School District in the amount of \$373,736.40.

TOWN OF LYMAN

2015 Town Meeting Warrant

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Lyman, in the County of Grafton, and the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in the Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Town on TUESDAY, the TENTH day of MARCH 2015; polls to open at ELEVEN O'CLOCK in the morning and will not close before SIX O'CLOCK in the evening in said Town Hall, to act on Article 1, the remaining Articles to be considered at SEVEN O'CLOCK in the evening.

ARTICLE 1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Eighty-Three Thousand Five Hundred Forty-Seven Dollars (\$383,547) to defray Town charges for the ensuing year. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by the Selectmen)

Executive	\$47,820.00
Election, Reg., Vital Statistics	36,616.00
Financial Administration	37,655.00
Legal Expenses	3,000.00
Personnel Administration	61,280.00
Planning	5,755.00
Zoning	1,300.00
General Government Buildings	59,205.00
Cemeteries	7,000.00
Insurance otherwise not allocated	8,000.00
Advertising & Regional Assoc	2,035.00
Other General Government	700.00
Ambulance	7,862.00
Fire	18,950.00
Emergency Management	7,620.00
Solid Waste Disposal	48,160.00
Health Officer	1,180.00
Animal Control	1,530.00
Health Agencies	4,909.00
Welfare Administration	680.00
Welfare Vendor Payments	3,000.00
Parks and Recreation	110.00
Library	1,200.00
Patriotic Purposes	100.00
Other Culture	2,400.00
Conservation	200.00
Principal on Long Term Notes	8,275.00
Interest on Long Term Notes	3,505.00
Interest on TAN	3,500.00

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Twenty Thousand Three Hundred Ninety Dollars (\$220,390) for maintenance, expenses, salaries, supplies, equipment and street lighting for the Highway Department for the ensuing year. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by Selectmen)

Highway Administration	\$108,590.00
Highway Maintenance.....	\$111,250.00
Street Lighting	\$550.00

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) to be placed in the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by the Selectmen)

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in the Highway Bridge Replacement & Repair Capital Reserve Fund. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by the Selectmen)

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to establish a contingency fund for the current year for unanticipated expenses that may arise and further to raise and appropriate Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to go into the fund. This sum to come from fund balance and no amount to be raised from taxation. Any appropriation left in the fund at the end of the year will lapse to the general fund. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by the Selectmen)

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000) to be placed in the Property Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by the Selectmen)

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500) to be placed in the Office & Computer Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by the Selectmen)

ARTICLE 9. Resolved that the State of New Hampshire provide a comprehensive meaningful system of funding for State Education needs. To see if the Town will vote to ask our governor and state legislators to reform state funding for education with that reform to be directed to significant reduction of property taxes. The record of the vote approving this article shall be transmitted by written notice from the Select Board to the governor and state legislators informing them of the instructions from their constituents within 30 days of the vote. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 10. To transact any other business that may legally come before the Meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this 3rd day of February, 2015.

The Lyman Board of Selectmen
James Trudell, Stephen Moscicki, Bruce Beane

2015 PROPOSED BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF LYMAN

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION	Warrant Article	Recommended
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:		
4130-4139 Executive	2	47,820.00
4140-4149 Election, Reg. & Vital Stats.	2	36,616.00
4150-4151 Financial Administration	2	37,655.00
4153 Legal Expense	2	3,000.00
4155 Personnel Administration	2	61,280.00
4191-4193 Planning & Zoning	2	7,055.00
4194 General Government Buildings	2	59,205.00
4195 Cemeteries	2	7,000.00
4196 Insurance	2	8,000.00
4197 Advertising & Regional Assoc.	2	2,035.00
4199 Other General Government	2	700.00
PUBLIC SAFETY:		
4215-4219 Ambulance	2	7,862.00
4220-4229 Fire	2	18,950.00
4290-4298 Emergency Management	2	7,620.00
HIGHWAYS & STREETS:		
4311-4312 Administration, Highways & Streets		See Warrant Article 3
SANITATION:		
4324 Solid Waste Disposal	2	48,160.00
HEALTH:		
4411 Health Officer	2	1,180.00
4414 Animal Control	2	1,530.00
4415-4419 Health Agencies, Hospital & Other	2	4,909.00
WELFARE:		
4441-4442 Administration & Direct Assist.	2	680.00
4445-4449 Vendor Payments & Other	2	3,000.00
CULTURE & RECREATION:		
4520-4529 Parks & Recreation	2	110.00
4550-4559 Library	2	1,200.00
4583 Patriotic Purposes	2	100.00
4589 Other Culture & Recreation	2	2,400.00
CONSERVATION:		
4619 Other Conservation		200.00
DEBT SERVICE:		
4711 Principal-Long Term Bonds & Notes	2	8,275.00
4721 Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes	2	3,505.00
4723 Interest on Tax Anticipation Notes	2	3,500.00
SUB-TOTAL 1		\$383,547.00

BUDGET SUMMARY

Subtotal 1 Appropriations Recommended	\$383,547.00
Subtotal 2 Special Warrant Articles Recommended	80,500.00
Subtotal 3 Individual Warrant Articles Recommended	<u>225,390.00</u>
Total Appropriations Recommended	\$689,437.00

SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES:

4915 Capital Reserve Fund – Highway Equipment	4	50,000.00
4915 Capital Reserve Fund – Highway Bridge	5	25,000.00
4915 Capital Reserve Fund – Property Revaluation	7	3,000.00
4915 Capital Reserve Fund – Office & Computer	8	<u>2,500.00</u>

SUB-TOTAL "2" RECOMMENDED \$ 80,500.00

INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES:

4311 Highway Administration	3	\$108,590.00
4312 Highway Operation	3	111,250.00
4316 Street Lighting – Lyman Rd/Route 302	3	550.00
4199 Contingency Fund	6	<u>5,000.00</u>

SUB-TOTAL "3" RECOMMENDED \$225,390.00

TOTAL SPECIAL & INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES: \$305,890.00

2015 ESTIMATED REVENUE OF THE TOWN OF LYMAN

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated
TAXES:	
3120 Land Use Change Taxes	\$ 2,000.00
3185 Timber Taxes	11,000.00
3190 Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	9,500.00
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES:	
3210 Business Licenses & Permits	100.00
3220 Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	102,800.00
3230 Building Permits	250.00
3290 Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	1,900.00
3311-3319 From Federal Government	2,500.00
FROM STATE:	
3352 Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution	25,000.00
3353 Highway Block Grant	85,000.00
3359 Unanticipated Revenue	100.00
CHARGES FOR SERVICES:	
3401 Income from Departments	1,200.00
3404 Garbage-Refuse Charges	26,325.00
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES:	
3501 Sale of Municipal Property	15,200.00
3502 Interest on Investments	150.00
3503-3509 Other	600.00
Amounts Voted From Fund Balance	5,000.00
Fund Balance Used to Reduce Taxes	<u>50,000.00</u>
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES & CREDITS	\$338,625.00

BUDGET SUMMARY

Subtotal 1 Appropriations Recommended	\$ 383,547.00
Subtotal 2 Special Warrant Articles Recommended	80,500.00
Subtotal 3 Individual Warrant Articles Recommended	<u>225,390.00</u>
Total Appropriations Recommended	\$689,437.00
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits	(338,625.00)
Add: Overlay and War Service Credits	<u>32,800.00</u>
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	\$ 383,612.00

NOTES

ROAD AGENT'S REPORT 2014

It was another busy year for the Lyman highway crew. Crushed ledge was put down on Davis Drive, Mountain Meadows Road and Ogontz Road. With the assistance of part time helper Richard Hubbard, Scott and I were able to keep roads maintained, as well as making improvements to some.

Winter sand was hauled in from Presby's pit using our trucks, William Minot was able to mow most roadsides and culverts were replaced as needed, along with ditching.

The 1993 Ford dump truck was retired and the 2006 Chevrolet was replaced with a Dodge 5500 dump truck.

Along with regular road work, we were able to clear brush from Mitchell Park and work on the Town Hall addition, as needed.

In planning for the upcoming year, we have approximately 3,000 yards of crushed ledge to put down on roads. We will be hauling in winter sand, grading and rolling roads, and replacing culverts when required.

We are always looking out for the convenience and safety of people travelling on Lyman's roads. If you have any questions or road improvement ideas, please let us know. We can be reached at the Highway Garage at 838-5246.

Scott Stuart and I appreciate all the support we receive from the Selectmen and townspeople. This allows us to keep Lyman's roads in the shape they are in.

Respectfully submitted,
Tom Smith, Road Agent

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

The following Trust Fund activity occurred in 2014:

January 17, 2014:

Transferred \$38,875 from the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund ('CRF') into the Town of Lyman general fund in accordance with a January 13, 2014 vote of the Board of Selectmen. The amount represented the balance due on a 2014 Dodge Ram 5500 Truck ordered from Crosstown Motors.

March 18, 2014:

Transferred \$3,183.26 from the Highway Equipment CRF into the Town of Lyman general fund in accordance with a February 24, 2014 vote of the Board of Selectmen. The amount represented the amount due Ash Supply Company for wiring the sander and purchasing and installing the push frame for a plow assembly on the new 2014 Dodge Ram 5500 Truck.

May 20, 2014 per the 2014 Town Meeting Warrant:

Article 10 – Renamed existing Building Repair & Maintenance CRF to Building CRF.
Article 11 – Added \$30,000 to the Town's existing Building CRF.
Article 12 – Established new Highway Bridge Replacement & Repair CRF.
Article 12 – Added \$25,000 to the Town's Highway Bridge Replacement & Repair CRF.

September 10, 2014:

Transferred \$23,000 from the Property Tax Revaluation CRF into the Lyman general fund in accordance with a September 8, 2014 vote of the Board of Selectmen. The amount represented the amount paid to Commerford Nieder Perkins per a 2013-14 contract for the Data Verification portion of a two-year revaluation project.

October 8, 2014:

Transferred \$25,000 from the Building CRF into the Lyman general fund in accordance with an October 6, 2014 vote of the Board of Selectmen. The amount represented funds expended to date on the Town Hall building extension.

December 17, 2014: Transferred \$24,000 from the Building CRF into the Lyman general fund in accordance with a December 15, 2014 vote of the Board of Selectmen. The amount represented additional funds expended to date on the Town Hall building extension.

December 17, 2014:

Transferred \$2,895 from the Office and Computer Equipment CRF into the Lyman general fund in accordance with a December 15, 2014 vote of the Board of Selectmen. The amount represented the amount paid to W.B. Mason for a refurbished Sharp MX2600N color printer/copier/scanner/fax for the Town Offices.

Other activity:

The \$5 maintenance fee applied to each of the six Cemetery trust accounts was credited back to the accounts. The fee was applied due to inaction on the accounts over a three-year period. The Trustees are grateful to the representatives at Woodsville Guaranty Saving bank for graciously working with us to return the money. The Cemetery accounts represent a piece of Lyman's history dating back to 1900 and perhaps earlier.

The Trustees wish to thank Beth Hubbard for her service. We are also happy to welcome Sandra Moscicki as our new Trustee. Sandi was appointed by the Board of Selectmen on June 30, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Linowes
Christine Meserve
Sandra Moscicki

Trustees of the Trust Funds

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

PRINCIPAL

Date of Creation	Name of Fund:	Balance Beginning of Year	New Funds Created	Cash Gains or (Losses) on Securities
10/20/13	Frye Fund	\$ 250.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
08/13/17	C. Miner Fund	200.00	0.00	0.00
11/27/18	J.E. Richardson Fund	200.00	0.00	0.00
06/21/21	A. Dow Fund	100.00	0.00	0.00
01/03/22	E. Thornton Fund	200.00	0.00	0.00
10/26/25	H.H. Porter Fund	<u>150.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
	TOTALS	<u>\$ 1,100.00</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
03/31/75	Capital Reserve Equip. Fund (Hwy. Equip.)	\$ 120,274.27	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
03/14/90	Town of Lyman (Welfare & Gen. Asst.)	9,944.70	0.00	0.00
06/20/91	Lyman Cemetery Fund (Cemetery Maintenance)	816.07	0.00	0.00
03/30/94	Legal Expense	10,527.09	0.00	0.00
07/03/95	Property Tax Revaluation	— 56,598.23	0.00	0.00
05/04/98	Forest Fire Equipment	2,619.45	0.00	0.00
03/19/01	Landfill Monitoring	3,699.53	0.00	0.00
12/21/06	Future Land Acquisition	302.08	0.00	0.00
05/27/07	Office & Computer Equip.	7,204.35	0.00	0.00
05/20/14	Hwy Bridge Replace & Repair	.00	25,000.00	0.00
03/19/10	Building Repair & Maint.	<u>19,019.79</u>	<u>30,000.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
	EXPENDABLE TOTALS	\$231,005.56	\$55,000.00	\$ 0.00
	GRAND TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS	\$232,105.56	\$55,000.00	\$ 0.00

December 31, 2014

INCOME

Withdrawals	Balance End of Year	Balance Beginning of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End of Year	Grand Total of Principal & Income at End of Year
\$ 0.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 407.56	\$ 5.67	0.00	\$ 413.23	\$ 663.23
0.00	200.00	66.26	5.24	0.00	71.50	271.50
0.00	200.00	311.37	5.48	0.00	316.85	516.85
0.00	100.00	149.33	5.24	0.00	154.57	254.57
0.00	200.00	66.37	5.24	0.00	71.61	271.61
<u>0.00</u>	<u>150.00</u>	<u>218.97</u>	<u>5.36</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>224.33</u>	<u>374.33</u>
<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$ 1,100.00</u>	<u>\$1,219.86</u>	<u>\$ 32.23</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>	<u>\$1,252.09</u>	<u>\$ 2,352.09</u>
 \$-42,058.26	 \$78,216.01	 \$ 0.00	 \$ 14.81	 \$ 0.00	 \$ 14.81	 \$ 78,230.82
 0.00	 9,944.70	 0.00	 1.76	 0.00	 1.76	 9,946.46
 0.00	 816.07	 0.00	 0.00	 0.00	 0.00	 816.07
 0.00	 10,527.09	 0.00	 1.82	 0.00	 1.82	 10,528.91
 -23,000.00	 33,598.23	 0.00	 10.11	 0.00	 10.11	 33,608.34
 0.00	 2,619.45	 0.00	 0.00	 0.00	 0.00	 2,619.45
 0.00	 3,699.53	 0.00	 0.00	 0.00	 0.00	 3,699.53
 0.00	 302.08	 0.00	 0.00	 0.00	 0.00	 302.08
 -2,895.00	 4,309.35	 0.00	 1.06	 0.00	 1.06	 4,310.41
 0.00	 25,000.00	 0.00	 2.51	 0.00	 2.51	 25,002.51
 <u>-49,000.00</u>	 <u>19.79</u>	 <u>0.00</u>	 <u>5.29</u>	 <u>0.00</u>	 <u>5.29</u>	 <u>25.08</u>
 \$-116,953.26	 \$169,052.30	 \$ 0.00	 \$ 37.36	 \$ 0.00	 \$ 37.36	 \$169,089.66
 \$-116,953.26	 \$170,152.30	 \$1,219.86	 \$ 69.59	 \$ 0.00	 \$1,289.45	 \$171,441.75

FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands, work collaboratively to reduce the risk and frequency of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, please contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning unless the ground is completely covered with snow. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local Fire Department or DES at (603) 271-1370 or www.des.state.nh.us for more information. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. Help us to protect NH's forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at www.nhdf1.org.

This past fire season started in early April with the first reported fire on April 7th. April, which is the traditional start to our spring fire season, began very dry with unseasonably dry conditions continuing through the entire month. This dry pattern continued through the first half of May. 80% of our reported fires this season occurred during this six week period. The largest fire was 24 acres, occurring in the Town of Tamworth. From mid-May through early September, above average rainfall kept our total acreage burned statewide at 72 acres. This is the smallest amount of acreage burned statewide in several years. Late August through late September though brought a dry trend to northern areas, resulting in several deep-burning remote fires. Our fire danger days correlated well with the days that there were fires actually reported. The statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers continues to operate on Class III or higher fire danger days. Our fire lookouts are credited with keeping most fires small and saving several structures due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. The towers fire spotting capability was supplemented by the NH Civil Air Patrol when the fire danger was especially high. Many homes in NH are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Several of the fires during the 2014 season threatened structures, and a few structures were burned, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at www.firewise.org. Please help Smokey Bear, your local Fire Department, and the State's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

2014 FIRE STATISTICS (All Fires Reported as of November 2014)

(Figures do not include fires under the jurisdiction of the White Mountain National Forest)

County Statistics

County	Acres	# of Fires	County	Acres	# of Fires
Belknap	3.1	5	Hillsborough	6.1	20
Carroll	24	4	Merrimack	15.5	11
Cheshire	6.8	7	Rockingham	1.1	8
Coos	5.3	18	Strafford	0.4	5
Grafton	8.2	32	Sullivan	1.5	2

CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

			Total Fires	Total Acres		
Arson	2	Debris	52	2014	112	72
Campfire	10	Children	2	2013	182	144
Smoking	5	Railroad	0	2012	318	206
Equipment	5	Lightning	1	2011	125	42
Miscellaneous*			35	2010	360	145

(*Misc.: powerlines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.)

ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRES

PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board meets at the Lyman Town Hall on the first Wednesday of the month at 6:00 pm. All Planning Board meetings are open to the public.

Applications for Subdivisions, Lot Line Adjustments and Lot Mergers as well as copies of the Master Plan, Lyman Subdivision Regulations and Lyman Zoning Ordinance are available at the Selectmen's Office. You may contact the Planning Board at 838-5900 with questions concerning these forms or procedures. All questions regarding Town planning should be addressed to the Planning Board at their regular monthly meeting.

Two Lot Line Adjustments and one Lot Merger were approved in 2014.

With the assistance of North Country Council's Planning Coordinator, Tara Bamford, the Planning Board proposed six amendments to the Lyman Zoning Ordinance which were all approved by the voters at the 2014 Town Meeting. Revisions to the Subdivision Regulations were also completed in 2014.

The Planning Board thanks the Town of Lyman for its continued support.

Planning Board Members: Roberta Aldrich - Chairman, Thomas Messner - Vice Chairman, Les Poore - Secretary, Bruce Beane - Ex-Officio, Brian Wohlleb

Alternate Members: Rosemary Colombi, Donna Clark, Allen Gombas

Respectfully submitted,

Les Poore, Secretary

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

The Zoning Board of Adjustment meets as needed at the Lyman Town Hall. All hearing dates are posted and are open to the public.

Applications for variances are available at the Selectmen's Office, or you may call the Zoning Board of Adjustment at 838-5900.

There were two applications for variances in 2014.

Zoning Board of Adjustment Members: Robert Chenevert - Chairman, Brian Santy, Michael O'Brien, Janice Balog, Patricia Slavtcheff

Alternate Members: Linda Stephens, Patricia O'Brien

Respectfully submitted,

Rosemary Colombi, Secretary

CONSERVATION COMMISSION REPORT 2014

Conservation Commissions were created and authorized by the State of New Hampshire to provide Towns with guidance in the use of Natural Resources within the Town. RSA 36-A directs Conservation Commissions to:

“Conduct researches into its local land and water areas.” The Lyman Master Plan is an example.

“Seek to coordinate the activities of unofficial bodies organized for similar purposes.” The Conservation Commission can serve as a contact point for groups who might have similar interests.

“Keep an index of all open space and natural, aesthetic or ecological areas ... all marshlands, swamps and all other wetlands.” A Natural Resource Inventory (NRI) is such an example. The Lyman Conservation Commission works with the NH Department of Environmental Services to provide local comments on wetland permits.

And finally, “keep accurate records of its meetings and actions.” The Lyman Conservation Commission is a public body and minutes of the meetings are kept in the Town Office.

The Lyman Conservation Commission has worked in the past to provide soils information to the Board of Selectmen and the Planning Board for house lots, potential property donation, and also for the new Town Quarry. If you have an interest in participating, by all means contact us.

Respectfully submitted,

James Seidel, Chairman for
Lisa Linowes and Les Poore

LYMAN COMMUNITY GROUP 2014 ANNUAL REPORT

In September of 2013, a group of Lyman residents got together and formed the "Lyman Community Group." The Mission Statement of the Group is "to foster community spirit in the town of Lyman through participation of the residents, both permanent and seasonal, in activities which highlight the natural diversity and beauty of Lyman in accordance with its rural nature."

The first event was a Pot-Luck Supper in January 2014, a great success with about 60 people attending, and it was voted to make this an annual event. In March we helped restore Dodge Pond Day with 200+ attendees. With the help of the Lisbon and Bath Cold Water Rescue Team, 20 people participated in the Dodge Pond Dip. May was Roadside Clean-Up Day; 20 cleaners and 70 bags of rubbish later, the ditches were cleaner and we could be proud of our roadsides. August was the Lyman Summer Social, sponsored by the Selectmen, with food and games at the Grange Hall. LCG members assisted with the food and organized games. December was the Memory Tree Lights; 66 people named relatives or friends they wanted remembered. A tree lighting ceremony was held at the Town Hall with these names being read.

2015 plans are to have a Pot-Luck Supper, Dodge Pond Day, Clean-Up Day and the Memorial Tree. April will see an ice out contest. Future events suggested are a book swap day, game night and movies. People with ideas are welcome to attend a meeting and make suggestions. We invite all Lyman residents to attend our meetings, the 3rd Tuesday of each month. No dues, just have a good time and enjoy living in Lyman. For further information or questions contact Jerry Landry at 838-2034 or Janice Choate at 838-5155.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice Choate
Jerry Landry
Co-chairpersons

LISBON PUBLIC LIBRARY

Librarian's Report 2014

Circulation of Resources

Adult materials loaned	4,931
Children's materials loaned	938
Total	5,869

A hydrangea was planted next to the library in memory of Jean Haywood who was a valued library employee and supporter.

The Library is planning on raising funds by hosting a plant sale this spring.

The library worked with the Lisbon Lion's Club Santa to provide new books for around 75 children. The Lion's Club held their holiday party at the library.

The library continued this year to provide downloadable audio and electronic books through a statewide consortium. Instructions and links can be found on the library's website: lisbonpubliclibrary.org. On our website, you will also find a link to Heritage Quest to aid you in your genealogical research.

Respectfully submitted,

Karla Houston
Librarian

LISBON LIONS CLUB

The Lisbon Lions Club will celebrate its 77th anniversary this year. Our membership includes residents from Lisbon, Lyman, Landaff and Bath. Thank you to the members of our Club who have put in countless hours of volunteer time to support our numerous activities. Also, thank you to the Townspeople and Businesses in and around our communities. Your support and spirit enables us to continue to provide support to a wide range of programs for local youth and senior citizens, and to assist others in our communities with sight and hearing needs. The Club would also like to thank the staff and administration at Lisbon Regional School for allowing us to use their facility for fundraisers and events and our heartfelt thanks to St. Catherine's Catholic Church for allowing us to use their facilities for our semi-monthly meetings.

The Lions Club Community Field and Pool continue to provide an essential service to the community and school system. We support athletic programs for youths in soccer, basketball, baseball, and softball as well as swimming and skiing lessons. We also provide tennis and basketball courts next to New England Wire Technologies. In conjunction and with the continued support of NEWT, we have been able to maintain these facilities. The new swimming pool constructed on the community field in 2012 continues to provide hours of recreation for children and adults from Lisbon, Landaff, Lyman and beyond.

In addition to athletic programs, the Club hosts a spring time Senior Citizens Dinner, a Senior Holiday Dinner, Santa's Hotline, Santa's Christmas Eve visits, the Halloween party in conjunction with Lisbon Main Street, a bonfire for the Homecoming Soccer Game, and we make a donation from tree sales proceeds to our local food bank. We also provide funds towards eyeglasses and hearing equipment for local community members who are in need and donate to a variety of local worthy causes, especially those involving children.

The Lions Club asks for your participation in the following fund-raisers: Annual Raffle, Christmas Tree Sale, the Tip-Off Classic Basketball Tournament, the Kick-Off Classic Soccer Tournament, our Annual Golf Tournament and, of course, our famous Sausage Concessions.

We thank the Towns of Lisbon, Landaff, and Lyman for their continued support.

Respectfully submitted,
Janice Fogg
President, Lisbon Lions Club

LISBON LIFE SQUAD

The Lisbon Life Squad Members would like to thank the community for the continued support that you show for us.

During the past year of 2014, the Lisbon Life Squad has responded to approximately 265 calls for medical emergencies, auto accidents and fire standbys. This includes 204 calls in Lisbon, 42 calls in Lyman, 11 calls in Bath, 3 calls in Landaff, 2 calls in Woodsville, 2 calls in Littleton, and 1 call to East Ryegate, VT.

We continue to try and expand our staff and have acquired 3 new members, Jeff Dodge, Scott Champagne and Conner Quinn who have all taken an EMR (Emergency Medical Responder) class. We also have 1 student enrolled in an EMT (Emergency Medical Technician) class and 1 student enrolled in an AEMT (Advanced Emergency Medical Technician) class.

We are continuing on the town-wide 911 numbering system to help us identify each location. We would like to ask that until this is complete, that if you could make your house number visible to us from the road that would be a great help. For those residents outside of town with mail boxes, try to make sure the numbers are large enough that we can see them from the road. A small test you could try is to drive down Route 302 and try to read some of the mail box numbers.

We are also continuing to move forward with the plans to build a new Fire & Life Squad building in Lisbon in the near future; and we are thankful for all the input and suggestions we have acquired over the past couple of years.

I would like to thank Laurie Guilmette for her 25+ years of dedicated service for the Lisbon Life Squad and wish well in her retirement. I would also like to thank Jody Gagnon for her 12+ years of dedicated service and desire to expand the Life Squad to where it is today. I would like to wish her well in her new adventures.

Respectfully submitted,

David Combs
Director, Lisbon Life Squad

Lisbon Life Squad Members

Dave Combs	Audrey Champagne	Mark Taylor	Edward Daniels
Peter Nightingale	Kristyna Champagne	Jeffery Dodge	Conner Quinn
Barb Deming	Cindy Taylor	Jeremy Dodge	Gary Gagnon
Matt Champagne	Hale Fitzgerald	Jennifer Taylor	Scott Champagne

LISBON MAIN STREET, INC

2014 Annual Report

Lisbon Main Street, Inc., established in 2002, is a nonprofit association dedicated to ensuring the vitality of Lisbon's downtown by preserving, enhancing and promoting its unique economic, social, cultural and architectural heritage. Main Street's \$26,652 income in 2014 came from private donations (41%), fundraiser (22%), miscellaneous (6%) and the Towns of Lisbon, Landaff, and Lyman (31%).

What did Lisbon Main Street accomplish in 2014?

The Economic Development Committee:

- Published and distributed four issues of the Lisbon BizNews local newsletter.
- Provided business development resources to local businesses.
- Began organizing Poker Run fundraiser with Lisbon Stump Jumpers.

The Organization Committee:

- Held a Weekly Farmers' Market Jun – October with an ever-growing group of vendors and customers.
- Organized the annual September Flea Market.
- Sponsored Shop in Lisbon Day, which included a Christmas holiday market (vendor opportunity for area home-based businesses), storefront decorating contest, tree lighting ceremony, and caroling.
- Worked with other non-profit organizations to create Volunteer Collaboration Committee.

The Promotion Committee:

- Organized four free outdoor Summer Concerts.
- Lilac Festival sub-committee organized 29th Annual Lisbon Lilac Festival after a few years of not having the festival.
- Sponsored the Ammonoosuc River Duck Race during the Lilac Festival.
- Collaborated with the Lions Club to organize the annual Pumpkin Festival and Costume Contest.

The Design Committee:

- Provided landscaping and flower barrels and baskets on Main and School Streets.
- Coordinated rebuild of Town Message Board.

What will Lisbon Main Street do in 2015?

- Host Volunteer Appreciation Night for volunteers from multiple Lisbon, Lyman, and Landaff non-profit organizations.
- Update the Business Directory and Manage Town Message Board.
- Sponsor Lisbon Lilac Festival (Memorial Day Weekend).
- Publish Lisbon BizNews Quarterly Newsletter (ongoing).
- Organize Summer Concerts and Host Summer Farmers Market.
- Provide landscaping and beautification in Downtown area.
- Organize annual Flea Market and annual Pumpkin Festival and Costume Contest.
- Host Shop in Lisbon Day.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Wall
President, Lisbon Main Street, Inc.

ABOVE THE NOTCH HUMANE SOCIETY

Over the last two years the Town of Lyman has supported our organization by contributing two hundred and fifty dollars from the town budget. We greatly appreciated this support. We have to raise about twenty-five thousand dollars annually to maintain our program. We are all volunteers and our organization takes care of stray and unwanted dogs in our local communities. In addition to taking care of the animals we also work with the authorities on animal cruelty and neglect investigations. Over the last several years we have provided low cost spay/neuter clinics in addition to local low cost shot clinics.

This year in Lyman we rescued a young dog that was hit by a car and was found abandoned living under a bench in the cemetery. He is now in a great home but we are still working on some issues with his broken front leg, but we will follow through with whatever needs to be done. Recently we tried to help locate two lost dogs in Lyman and they are now home.

Please consider this request for continued support at your town meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard W. Larcom
President, ATNHS

PEMI-BAKER SOLID WASTE DISTRICT

2014 Annual Report

This past year, the Pemi-Baker Solid Waste District continued its cooperative efforts to promote waste reduction, increase recycling, and to provide residents with a means of properly disposing of their household hazardous wastes (HHW).

The District held two (2) one-day collections, one in Littleton and the other in Plymouth. A total of 251 vehicles came to the collections - an increase of 31 vehicles from 2013 and our highest participation total since 2006. Total disposal costs were \$24,815. The District was awarded a grant from the State of NH for \$5,611 and received a \$5,000 donation from Casella Waste. The District's net expenditures were \$14,204 (a cost of \$.46 per resident). The District also coordinated the pickup of fluorescent light bulbs that had been collected at member towns' recycling facilities. Over 41,000 feet of straight fluorescent tubing was recycled.

In 2014, the District will hold collections in Littleton (Sunday, August 23rd) and in Plymouth (Saturday, September 26th). Individual residents can help to minimize the District's disposal costs and reduce the toxicity of the environment by remembering a few of these helpful tips: Buy only what you need. If you have leftover product, properly store it so it will last. Use biological controls and organic products for pests and diseases in the garden when feasible. Apply chemical pesticides only as a last resort and be sure to follow the directions on the label. Lastly, air-dry your leftover latex paint. When completely dried, latex paint may be disposed of in your household trash.

This past year the District supported legislation that would have placed a fee on oil and latex based paints sold in New Hampshire. The money generated by the fee would have been used to create an infrastructure that would have expanded the opportunity for residents to properly dispose/recycle their unwanted paint and to cover the cost of managing the collected paint. Simply stated, the legislation would have shifted the cost of disposal/recycling from the tax payer to the individual consumer. The proposed legislation passed the House of Representatives, but unfortunately failed in the Senate.

As always, citizens interested in participating in the development of the District's programs are welcome to attend the District's meetings. Information regarding the place and time of the meetings is available at all municipal offices and recycling centers. If at any time an individual community needs assistance in regards to their solid waste/recycling program, please contact the District at 838-6822 or by email at pemibakerswd@yahoo.com

Respectively submitted,

Dan Woods, District Coordinator

NORTHERN HUMAN SERVICES WHITE MOUNTAIN MENTAL HEALTH 2014 Director's Report

This year has been marked by several nationally reported tragedies, including an escalation in school shootings and the very high profile suicide death of Robin Williams. These events are in the news, but there are also many local, private tragedies that result from unidentified or untreated mental illness. Access to treatment for all community residents, especially those who are in crisis and do not have the means to pay for private treatment, helps assure that all community members stay safe.

Some of the highlights of 2014:

- In partnership with all seven hospitals in the NHS service area, we continue to provide emergency mental health evaluations via video. Hours of wait time and costly and dangerous travel will be eliminated by this service.
- Children in need of expert evaluation by a child psychiatrist continue to be seen by a Dartmouth Child Psychiatrist, via video, from our Littleton office. Feedback from children and their families has been very positive.
- Mental Health Court is thriving in Grafton County. People who commit non-violent crimes as the result of mental illness are offered support, resources and treatment, rather than costly incarceration.
- In this tough economy, employment is a huge challenge for many of our clients. To respond to this need, we now employ a supported employment specialist who is specially trained in assisting persons with mental illness to seek, obtain and keep jobs. This is one of the “evidence-based practices” we have implemented, using methods that have been proven to be effective in studies across the country.
- We have implemented training via the internet for our staff, saving substantial money and time and offering our employees a huge array of educational options.
- We now provide services in the school building and during the school day in three school districts. Families who might not have otherwise been able come to our offices now have easy access to care in school with home-based services also available after school.

All of these varied activities depend on the support of our towns. This year our mental health offices served **10** people from the Town of Lyman, providing **18.98** hours of counseling.

Thank you for your continued support of our services. We want to be here when you need us.

Respectfully submitted,
Jane C. MacKay, LICSW
Area Director

NORTH COUNTRY HOME HEALTH & HOSPICE AGENCY

2014 Annual Report for Town of Lyman

North Country Home Health & Hospice Agency provides quality home health care that includes nursing, rehabilitation, hospice, social services and homemakers, companion and respite care programs in 21 towns of Grafton and Coos County. This past year in Lyman we provided services to 26 clients, 2 of which were Hospice patients, and provided 997 visits in the town. We are committed to our community in that we provide many community health clinics and screenings such as free blood pressure, blood sugar, and health education programs as well as immunization, foot care, and wound care clinics. Our agency has expanded our community clinics in which over 7 individuals from Lyman have attended. North Country Home Health and Hospice also provides Tele-health monitoring to our clients at no cost. These monitors are placed in the client's home to collect data such as blood pressure and other vital signs which are transmitted via the client's telephone line to our office. This allows for daily monitoring of our clients for improved outcomes.

Our Hospice program provides a comprehensive and holistic approach to end of life care that includes a skilled, multidisciplinary team of caregivers and volunteers. Hospice includes medications for symptom relief, medical supplies and equipment, short term hospitalization and in-patient respite care, counseling and pastoral support. Hospice volunteers provide valuable support to those living with a life-limiting illness. Our Compassionate Care program provides skilled care, at no cost, to those who are not eligible for traditional hospice services.

North Country Home Health & Hospice Agency and our Board of Directors are extremely grateful to the Town of Lyman for its support of our agency. This allows us to fulfill our mission to provide services to all individuals regardless of their ability to pay. Home Health Care is critical to serving the growing health care needs of this community. Our skilled clinical team is able to monitor health problems and provide disease management within the home setting that helps prevent more costly health care such as hospitalization and long term institutional care. North Country Home Health & Hospice Agency is committed to provide services in Lyman to support clients and their families to remain in the comfort of one's home in a safe and supportive environment to improve overall health outcomes in the community.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Bussey, RN MS
Executive Director

AMERICAN RED CROSS

The American Red Cross of NH is a non-profit organization dedicated to helping the NH community prepare for, respond to and recover from local disasters. Services are offered statewide, and this would not be possible without the help of hundreds of local volunteers and generous donors working together 365 days a year.

In the fiscal year 2014, as of June 30, the American Red Cross of NH provided the following services throughout the state:

- Red Cross disaster volunteers responded to 173 local disasters, helping a total of 570 people. Almost all of the disasters were residential fires.
- We trained 301 students in medical careers, including Nurse Assistant Training and Phlebotomy.
- We gave 8,114 transportation services to residents in Cheshire, Sullivan and Hillsborough Counties.
- We held 1,479 blood drives and collected 60,254 units of blood.
- We connected 278 families with their loved ones through our Service to the Armed Forces.

The American Red Cross provides all its emergency relief services free to disaster clients, and we do not receive federal funding. In order to be able to provide these services, the Red Cross reaches out to partners in the community for funding. It is for this reason that the American Red Cross of NH respectfully requests a donation of \$250.

Volunteers and staff throughout the state look forward to serving the residents of Lyman during the next fiscal year.

Thank you for your consideration of this request to support the humanitarian work of the American Red Cross of NH.

Respectfully submitted,

Alice Major
Major Gift Officer
American Red Cross - NH Region

TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION

Tri-County Community Action Program, a private, non-profit agency is requesting \$1,250 in funding from the Town of Lyman. The funds requested are used in two very important ways. We receive matching grants to continue providing direct assistance to your citizens. Secondly, your local Community Contact Office is only funded by the Fuel Assistance programs from December through April. We start taking applications in July so applications can be processed by the time the program opens, saving towns substantial money in the Town Welfare budget for emergency heating assistance.

THROUGH THE EFFORTS OF TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION, THE CITIZENS OF LYMAN HAVE RECEIVED A TOTAL OF \$41,487 IN ASSISTANCE.

The following is a report of services provided in fiscal year July 2013 - June 2014:

Service Provided	Households	Dollar Amount
Fuel Assistance	28	\$23,115.00
Electrical Assistance	26	17,135.00
Energy Assistance Programs	4	1,237.00

Tri-County CAP provides the above and other critical services for the less fortunate citizens in your town and surrounding communities, thus easing the increasing burden on town welfare budgets year round.

We sincerely appreciate Lyman's past support and look forward to continuing our partnership with your town.

Sincerely,

Karen Hoyt
Littleton Community Contact Manager

AMMONOOSUC COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES

2014 Report

ACHS has been a vital part of the community since 1975 and **provides comprehensive primary preventive health care to anyone, regardless of their ability to pay**. Support from the Town of Lyman is extremely important in our continued effort to provide affordable health care services to the 26 rural towns in our service area. Our sliding fee scale for payment of services provides a vehicle for uninsured and underinsured patients to get the health care they need in a timely manner, preventing a possible costly emergency room visit or, worse yet, hospitalization because they could not afford to go to the doctor prior to the emergent episode. Keeping just one patient out of the ER could save taxpayers \$1,000-\$1,500 (average cost of an ER visit).

Access to affordable oral health care is difficult for many in the North Country who lack the means to pay for these services. Poor oral health can lead to many other serious health issues and often leads to costly hospital ER visits where the actual causes of the problem cannot be addressed. ACHS has been working diligently over the past several years to address this problem and we are very happy to report that we have opened the ACHS Dental & Oral Health Center – the first community oral health program in northern New Hampshire on the ACHS-Littleton campus. This program is available to all and we offer a sliding fee scale for payment to those who qualify. For more information about this program, please visit our website: www.ammonoosuc.org/services/dental.

Services Provided

- Comprehensive Primary Preventive Medical Care - Wellness Screening, Pediatrics, Chronic Disease Management, Geriatrics, Acute Illness Care
- Prenatal Care - Childbirth Education, Nurse/Midwife Service and Newborn Care
- Family Planning - Birth Control, STD and HIV Testing and Counseling
- Breast & Cervical Cancer Screening Program
- Behavioral Health - Counseling
- Oral Health Referrals and Voucher Program (**The ACHS Dental & Oral Health Center is now open**)
- Pharmacy Services - In-house Pharmacy, Medication Management, Low-Cost Drug Program
- Financial Services - Sliding Fee Scale for eligible patients

Town of Lyman Statistics

- Total # of Patients – 150 Lyman
- Total # of Medicare Patients – 33
- Total # of Sliding Fee Scale Patients – 15
- Total # of Medicaid Patients – 10
- Total # of Self-Paying Patients – 6

Respectfully submitted,

Edward D. Shanshala II, MSHSA, MSEd
Chief Executive Officer

GRAFTON COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL, INC.

2014 Report

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc. is a private nonprofit organization that provides programs and services to support the health and well being of our communities' older citizens. The Council's programs enable elderly individuals to remain independent in their own homes and communities for as long as possible.

The Council operates eight senior centers in Plymouth, Littleton, Canaan, Lebanon, Bristol, Orford, Haverhill and Lincoln; and sponsors the Grafton County ServiceLink Resource Center and RSVP and the Volunteer Center. Through the centers, ServiceLink and RSVP, older adults and their families take part in a range of community-based long-term services including home delivered meals, community dining programs, transportation, outreach and counseling, chore/home repair services, recreational and educational programs, and volunteer opportunities.

During 2013-2014, 17 older residents of Lyman were served by one or more of the Council's programs offered through the Littleton Area Senior Center; ServiceLink assisted 17 Lyman residents:

- Older adults from Lyman enjoyed 79 balanced meals in the company of friends in the center's dining room.
- They received 518 hot, nourishing meals delivered to their homes by caring volunteers.
- Lyman residents were assisted by the Littleton outreach worker on 11 occasions and by ServiceLink on 45 occasions.
- Lyman volunteers contributed 175 hours of time, energy and talent.

The cost to provide Council services for Lyman residents in 2013-2014 was \$6,806.31.

Such services can be critical to elderly individuals who want to remain in their own homes and out of institutional care in spite of chronic health problems and increasing physical frailty, saving tax dollars that would otherwise be expended for nursing home care. They also contribute to a higher quality of life for older friends and neighbors. As our population grows older, supportive services such as those offered by the Council become even more critical. *Lyman's population over the age of 60 has increased 88.5% over the past 20 years, according to U.S. Census data from 1990 to 2010.*

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council very much appreciates Lyman's support for our programs that enhance the independence and dignity of older citizens and enable them to meet the challenges of aging in the security and comfort of their own communities and homes.

Respectfully submitted,

Roberta Berner
Executive Director

NORTH COUNTRY COUNCIL, INC. 2014 ANNUAL REPORT

There were many changes at North Country Council this past year. In March a new Executive Director was hired. Shortly thereafter an administrative assistant was hired in order to ensure the efficient use of public dollars by organizing the office. There have been numerous administrative changes to reduce costs including small contracts that produced an \$800 per month reduction for the photocopier lease, new strategy for health insurance which will save almost \$20,000 a year and investments in information technology that will enable staff to provide better service to the region. Four new part-time employees were hired in order to increase the organization's capacity to serve member communities and new foundation and private funding sources were obtained to provide match for federal dollars; this allows more of the member dues to be used for direct services back to communities.

Governance of North Country Council also has seen some changes. The Representatives that your community appoints met to discuss and approve the budget and workplan that is carried out over the year. They asked many great questions and appreciated the meeting being separated from the traditional Annual Meeting. As we move forward the Representatives will play a key role in assisting with defining the methodology used for assessing dues.

Beginning in February/March the staff of North Country Council will be holding remote office hours once a month in Plymouth, Colebrook, Albany and Berlin. Questions about Board roles, services of the NCC, land use issues, transportation processes and other issues will be addressed by staff in more convenient locations.

The workplan can be viewed at www.nccouncil.org. Additionally, at this site you can find numerous work products and a list of services and Board and Representative information.

The North Country Council Board meets regularly on the second Wednesday of each month at 9:30 am. Please check the website or call 603-444-6303 for changes or weather related cancellations.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Frost
Executive Director

BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF THE NORTH COUNTRY

Approximately 150 children from all over the North Country are members of the Boys and Girls Club of the North Country (BGCNC) over the course of a year. This year there have been six children from Lyman that have benefited from the BGCNC and their many programs. The Club's after school programs and vacation camps are, in many cases, the key to the development of these children and we strongly believe that we are better preparing them for a happy and productive future.

As is the case with most organizations that rely on fundraising and donations, raising the approximately \$250,000 per year required to operate the Club has become increasing difficult. We are looking to all the many towns in our area to help spread the cost of operation over the wider population.

We recognize that many of your taxpayers are feeling the same pressures that the Club is. However, it is important to keep in mind that the current economic times have most affected those very people who need the services that the Boys and Girls Club provides. These parents and children need our help now more than ever.

Your support on this issue will be greatly appreciated and we strongly believe that a commitment by the Town represents an investment in the healthy future of Lyman and the North Country at large.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

Dee McKown
Secretary
Boys and Girls Club of the
North Country, Inc.

SUPPORT CENTER AT BURCH HOUSE

The Support Center at Burch House is a private, non-profit agency that provides direct services and emergency shelter to victims of domestic and sexual violence and stalking in Northern Grafton County. We respectfully request that you place \$270 in funding, the equivalent of .50 per resident, either in your 2015 budget or on the 2015 town warrant to support the essential services that we provide in your community.

In fiscal year 2014, the Support Center at Burch House provided services to 438 victims of violence in our catchment area, which includes the Town of Lyman. All of our services are provided at no cost to the recipient.

Support Center at Burch House Services FY 2014

Victims Served by Crime Type:

Domestic Violence: 317

Sexual Assault: 84

Stalking: 19

Other Domestic Violence Related Crimes: 18

Total Victims: 438

Number Served by Shelter and Direct Services: 7,447

Units of Service Provided: 21,681

Total Services Provided: \$447,186

Number of Lyman residents served in 2014: 6

With the support of Lyman and other municipalities in our service area, we can continue to provide high quality services to people in need. We sincerely appreciate your support and thank the citizens of Lyman in advance for their consideration. Your past support has been immensely helpful to victims and survivors in our community.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne L. Robillard

Director, Support Center at Burch House

REPORT FROM YOUR NORTH COUNTRY SENATOR JEFF WOODBURN

Dear Constituent,

It is an honor to serve as your State Senator representing District 1, which includes 58-rural, northern communities, encompassing 27 percent of the state's landmass. It is a region larger than two states and 17 foreign countries and containing fewer than twenty people per square mile.

The North Country, including the White Mountains region, has a uniquely different culture, landscape, economy and history than the rest of the state. It is my focus to ensure that State government understands this and doesn't forget us. Our needs, challenges and opportunities are different. At the top of my priority list is stabilizing our fragile economy while improving the quality of life for our people. First and foremost, this means advocating for policies and projects that expand business and entrepreneurial opportunities that will raise stagnant wages.

We've made important bipartisan investments that disproportionately benefited our region in the previous session and I will fight efforts to repeal them. I will support our continued efforts to expand access to health care, reduce the burden of uncompensated care at local hospitals, invest in local road and broadband infrastructure and build a budget that reflects the needs of rural areas.

In the Senate, my goal has been to be practical and to work with everyone to get results for our region. But voting is only a part of my work; in the tradition of my mentor, the late Executive Councilor Ray Burton, I have been accessible and available to my constituents, holding town hall meetings, office hours and tours for state leaders. I have tried when possible and appropriate to bend state government to meet the needs of rural people and rural communities.

I love being the voice for the North Country and am constantly inspired by our people and places that make our beloved home so special.

Be in touch, if I can be of assistance to you or your community.

Regards,
Jeff Woodburn
North Country Senator

524 Faraway Road, Dalton, NH 03598
Jeff.Woodburn@leg.state.nh.us
603.271.3207

REPORT FROM EXECUTIVE COUNCILOR JOSEPH KENNEY

As I start my 2nd year of service to you and the State of New Hampshire in Council District 1, I am mindful of the wonderful 35 years of service that the previous Councilor Raymond S. Burton gave to the people of New Hampshire. He will be deeply missed but not forgotten.

Governor Maggie Hassan has just been re-elected and I will work with her and the NH Legislature to solve problems, large or small, for the people of New Hampshire. Economic development is my top priority for the Northern most Council District and I will work with community and business leaders to assist in the creation of jobs and economic opportunity. County and regional economic development councils coupled with community action agencies will be putting forth new initiatives to carry out this work and I look forward to working with them.

The NH Congressional Delegation - Senator Jeanne Shaheen, Senator Kelly Ayotte, Congresswoman Annie Kuster and Congressman Frank Guinta in joining with other New England states and Canadian officials can cause new resources and partnerships to be created to support job growth.

2015 will start another year of the 10-year NH Highway Transportation Planning process working through the Regional Planning Commissions. National Infrastructure Investments (as known as TIGER Discretionary Grants), provide a unique opportunity to invest in road, rail, transit and port projects. The Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) grants replace the Transportation Enhancement (TE) for Recreational Trails, and Safe Routes to School. Contact William Watson at NH DOT for details at 271-3344 or bwatson@dot.state.nh.us.

The 2015 session of the NH House and Senate will be a trying time with proposed cutbacks yet still providing and meeting constitutional and statutory needs. Be watchful of proposed legislation passing costs on to the county and local levels of government. Stay close to your local state senator and house members.

The Governor and Council are always looking for volunteers to serve on the dozens of boards and commissions. If you are interested please send your resume to Governor Maggie Hassan, State House, 107 North Main Street, Concord, NH 03301 attention Jennifer Kuzma Director of Appointments/Liaison or at (603) 271-2121. A complete list is available at the NH Secretary of State website at www.sos.nh.gov/redbook/index.htm.

My office has available informational items: NH Constitutions, tourist maps, consumer handbooks, etc. I periodically send, via email, a list of my schedule for the week. Send me your email address to be added to the list if you would like at Joseph.Kenney@nh.gov.

Contact my office any time I can be of assistance to you.

Joe

LYMAN DOG POLICY

(Adopted by the Board of Selectmen 1-11-99)

As required by RSA 466:1, all dogs are to be licensed by April 30th of each year. A current rabies vaccination certificate must be presented at time of licensing. If requesting the reduced fee for a neutered animal, verification of neutering/spaying is required. The month of May is a grace period. However, any owner of a dog not licensed by June 1st, under RSA 466:13, is required to pay civil forfeiture to the Town of Lyman within 96 hours of the date and time notice is given. Any person who fails to pay the forfeiture within the allotted amount of time will be issued a summons to District Court. At the time that the forfeiture is paid, the dog owner will also be required to obtain a license for the dog(s). Pursuant to RSA 466:1 and RSA 466:4, a current rabies vaccination, and if requesting the lower neutered license fee, either spaying or neutering certificate is required. Owner is responsible for maintaining these documents in his/her possession. There is a \$1/month late charge after June 1st as well as the forfeiture fee. All costs and fees for certified mailing will be paid by the fined dog owner.

RSA 466:31, II (a)-(g) defines dogs that are a menace, a nuisance or vicious.

Lyman does have a leash law. The Town of Lyman at a “special election” held on November 4, 1980, adopted RSA 466:30-a, “Dog Control Law.” “Notwithstanding any other provisions of this chapter, it shall be unlawful for any dog to run at large, except when accompanied by the owner or custodian, and when used for hunting, herding, supervised competition and exhibition or training for such. For the purpose of this section, ‘accompanied’ means that the owner or custodian must be able to see or hear, or both, or have reasonable knowledge of where the dog is hunting, herding, or training. Nothing herein shall mean that the dog must be within sight at all times. In this section, ‘at large’ means off the premises of the owner or keeper and not under control of any person by means of personal presence and attention as will reasonably control the conduct of such dog, unless accompanied by the owner or custodian.”

All complaints related to animals must be submitted in writing, signed and dated, to the Board of Selectmen. Upon submission of such complaint, the Board will contact the animal control officer as required.

Lyman Board of Selectmen

Policy adopted 1-31-99

RSA's are available for reference at the Town office.

LYMAN DOG PROCEDURES and FEES

1.) Nuisance calls (barking, wandering, etc)	Citation 1 st offense 2 nd offense 3 rd offense +	\$ <u>verbal warning</u> \$ 25.00 \$ 100.00 (within 12 months)
2.) Stray dog (owner known/current rabies tag)	Citation 1 st offense 2 nd offense 3 rd offense +	\$ <u>verbal warning</u> \$ 25.00 \$ 100.00 (within 12 months)
3.) Stray dog (unknown owner/no tags)	Impound Dog	
4.) Aggression calls (growling, chasing)	Citation 1 st offense 2 nd offense 3 rd offense +	\$ <u>verbal warning</u> \$ 50.00 \$ 200.00 (within 12 months)
5.) Vicious dog call (biting)	Impound Dog 1 st offense 2 nd offense	\$ 100.00 \$ 400.00 (within 12 months) (or no fines, go to court)

The following are abbreviated statutes regarding dogs. The full laws are available at the Town Hall or online at www.gencourt.state.nh.us/rsa/html/indexes/default.html.

RSA 466:31, II(a)-(g) Defines dogs that are a menace, a nuisance or vicious.

RSA 466:31, II-a If dog bite punctured skin, notify injured within 24 hours if dog was/wasn't immunized.

RSA 466:31, III(a) Any person who fails to effectively abate a nuisance found or who fails to comply with other provisions after being so ordered, shall have the person's dog taken into custody by the Animal Control Officer.

RSA 466:31, III(b) Nuisance not witnessed by officer needs complainant made public before fine levied.

RSA 466:31-a, I Any person who does not pay within 96 hours shall have the case disposed of in district or municipal court.

NOTICE

Restoration of Involuntarily Merged Lots

If you own real estate lots that were involuntarily merged by municipal action, you may be able to have those lots restored to their pre-merger status.

Your property may qualify if two or more lots were merged for zoning, assessing, or taxation purposes and the merger occurred:

- During your ownership, without your consent; or
- Prior to your ownership, if no previous owner consented to the merger.

To restore your property to pre-merger status, you must:

- Make a request to the local governing body
- No later than December 31, 2016.

Once restored:

- Your properties will once again become separate lots; however, they must still conform to applicable land use ordinances. Restoration does not cure non-conformity.

This notice must be:

- *Posted continuously in a public place from January 1, 2012 until December 31, 2016, and*
- *Published in the 2011 through 2015 Annual Report.*

Read the full statute at RSA 674:39-aa Restoration of Involuntarily Merged Lots.

**BIRTHS REGISTERED
IN THE TOWN OF LYMAN
For the Year Ending December 31, 2014**

Date Of Birth	Name Of Child	Name Of Father & Mother's Name
November 22, 2014	Audrey Lorraine Barbara Roy	Trevor Roy Nicole Roy

**MARRIAGES REGISTERED
IN THE TOWN OF LYMAN
For the Year Ending December 31, 2014**

Date Of Marriage	Name and Surname Of Groom & Bride	Residence of Each At Time Of Marriage
August 18, 2014	David H. Carboneau Liara S. Goldman	Lyman, NH Lyman, NH
August 30, 2014	Harold C. Aldrich Debra A. Elliott	Lyman, NH Lyman, NH
September 13, 2014	Chris W. Emerson Kelly L. Walker	Groton, VT Groton, VT
September 27, 2014	John A. Leno, Jr. Neala L. Fuller	Lyman, NH Lyman, NH

**DEATHS REGISTERED
IN THE TOWN OF LYMAN
For the Year Ending December 31, 2014**

Date Of Death	Name & Surname Of Deceased	Name & Surname Of Father	Maiden Name Of Mother
April 03, 2014	Edward Smith	Omlah Smith	Grace Hamblet
June 03, 2014	Lorrel Lord	George Tetreault	Ida Hebert
June 04, 2014	Betty Fenoff	Homer Bonor	Bertha Merchant
June 18, 2014	Barry McGuire	Stated, Not	Patina Serino
October 17, 2014	Patricia Shaw	Gerald Humphries	Winnifred Keller

